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For. **INSPECTION METHOD AND INSPECTION OF A TERMINAL METAL FITTING**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is a Preliminary Amendment for the above-captioned patent application. Please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.